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found a few fresh ones in a fruit store. They are rather tart, more so than our ground cherries. This plant should be given a thorough trial in several parts of the United States. On the dry plains and irrigated sections it may do well, and would prove very valuable as an annual fruit crop. It will also probably grow well in southern California and in the Southern States. In the Cape region it is allowed to grow in waste places as a weed, but it is highly prized by all."

**48181.** "(No. 38. Mowbray, Cape Town. August 27, 1919.) This grows as a weed everywhere in the Cape region, and makes most delicious jam. It is short lived and dies each winter, although there is no frost here."

**48182.** *PROTEA LANCEOLATA* E. Mey. Proteaceæ.

"(No. 131. Kirstenbosch, Cape Province. August 25, 1919.) A very attractive shrub with light-yellow flowers and pale yellowish green foliage, not as striking as some of the other Proteas when in flower, but of decided value as a decorative plant. The habit and requirements are the same as those of the other Proteas."

**48183.** *PROTEA LATIFOLIA* R. Br. Proteaceæ.

"(No. 24. Cape Town, Cape Province. August 24, 1919.) A wonderful Protea, with flowers 4 inches across. The Cape region is noted for its beautiful flowers, and of these none are more popular than the large flowers of the Proteas. The shrubs are 2 to 6 feet high and bear the large flower on the tip of almost every branch. Seeds only are sent, but these are said to grow easily, and it will be possible to test the seedlings on several types of soil. Acid, or at least humus, soils should be tried in Florida and California."

For an illustration of this plant in bloom, see Plate V.

**48184.** *PROTEA LEPIDOCARPODENDRON* L. Proteaceæ.

"(No. 27. Kirstenbosch, Cape Province. August 25, 1919.) This is one of the most striking plants of this group. The flowers are grouped into large heads 3 inches long, and when open are 4 to 6 inches across. The black-tipped purple bracts, which appear like petals fringed with long black silky hairs, produce a very pleasing effect, and I doubt if a more attractive ornamental could be grown. This plant grows well from seed and should be tried in acid soil. It should grow in the leached soils of southern California; there is little lime, however, in the soil where it grows naturally."

**48185.** *PROTEA SUSANNAE* Phillips. Proteaceæ.

"(No. 28. Kirstenbosch, Cape Province. August 25, 1919.) A beautiful Protea with a very large flower. The seeds are said to grow readily, and I hope we can succeed in bringing them to flower. If this is once done, their popularity will be assured."

**48186.** *THESPSIA POPULNEA* (L.) Soland. Malvaceæ.

"(No. 17. St. Vincent, Cape Verde Islands. July 28, 1919.) The street tree of St. Vincent, where it appears to grow without irrigation."

For an illustration of this tree used as a street tree, see Plate VI.